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# Voting On Bills In Legislature

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Office of the Secretary of State  
March Fong Eu

1230 J Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

Elections Division  
(916) 445-0820

March 5, 1981

TO: ALL REGISTRARS OF VOTERS/COUNTY CLERKS/PROPONENTS  
FROM: CASHMERE M. APPERSON, ELECTIONS TECHNICIAN

Pursuant to Elections Code 3520(b) you are hereby notified that the total number of signatures to the hereinafter named proposed Initiative Constitutional Amendment filed with all county clerks is less than 100 percent of the number of qualified voters required to find the petition sufficient, therefore, the petition has failed.

TITLE: VOTING ON BILLS IN LEGISLATURE  
SUMMARY DATE: OCTOBER 1, 1980  
PROPONENTS: RALPH D. MORRELL, VERNON E. SCHMEISER, AND  
JOHN V. DAWSON



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October 1, 1980

TO ALL COUNTY CLERKS/REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Pursuant to Section 3513 of the Elections Code, there is transmitted herewith a copy of the Title and Summary prepared by the Attorney General on a proposed Initiative Measure entitled:

VOTING ON BILLS IN LEGISLATURE  
INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Circulating and Filing Schedule

1. Minimum number of signatures required ..... 553,790  
Constitution II, 8 (b).
2. Official Summary Date ..... Wednesday, 10/01/80  
Elections Code section 3513.
3. Petition Sections:
  - a. First day Proponent can circulate Sections  
for signatures ..... Wednesday, 10/01/80  
Elections Code section 3513.
  - b. Last day Proponent can circulate and file  
with the county. All Sections are to be  
filed at the same time within each county ..... Monday, 3/02/81\*  
Elections Code sections 3513, 3520(a).
  - c. Last day for county to determine total number  
of signatures affixed to petition and to  
transmit total to the Secretary of State ..... Monday, 3/09/81

(If the Proponent files the petition with the county on a date prior to 3/02/81, the county has five working days from the filing of the petition to determine the total number of signatures affixed to the petition and to transmit this total to the Secretary of State).  
Elections Code section 3520(b).

\* Date adjusted for official deadline which falls on Saturday.

- d. Last day for county to determine number of qualified electors who have signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State ..... Tuesday, 3/24/81

(If the Secretary of State notifies the counties to determine the number of qualified electors who signed the petition on a date prior to 3/09/81, the last day is not later than the fifteenth day after the notification). Elections Code section 3520(d), (e).

- e. If the signature count is between 498,411 and 609,169, then the Secretary of State notifies the counties using the random sampling technique to determine the validity of all signatures.

Last day for county to determine actual number of all qualified electors who signed the petition, and to transmit certificate with a blank copy of the petition to the Secretary of State ..... Thursday, 4/23/81

(If the Secretary of State notifies the counties to determine the number of qualified electors who have signed the petition on a date prior to 3/24/81, the last day is not later than the thirtieth day after the notification). Elections Code section 3521(b), (c).

#### 4. Campaign Statements:

Last day for Proponent to file a Campaign Statement of Receipts and Expenditures for period ending 3/30/81 ..... Monday, 4/06/81

(If the Secretary of State finds that the measure has either qualified or failed to qualify on a date earlier than 3/02/81, the last date to file is the 35th calendar day after the date of notification by the Secretary of State that the measure has either qualified or failed to qualify. The closing date for the campaign statement is seven days prior to the filing deadline). Government Code section 84204.



State of California  
Department of Justice  
**George Deukmejian**  
(PRONOUNCED DUKE-MAY-GIN)  
Attorney General

555 CAPITOL MALL, SUITE 350  
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October 1, 1980

**FILED**  
In the office of the Secretary of State  
of the State of California

OCT-1 1980

Honorable March Fong Eu  
Secretary of State  
1230 J Street  
Sacramento, California 95814

MARCH FONG EU, Secretary of State  
By *C. S. Mendenhall*  
Deputy

RE: Initiative Proposing Amendment to: Constitution  
Subject: Voting on Bills  
Our File No.: SA80RF0021

Dear Mrs. Eu:

Pursuant to the provisions of sections 3503 and 3513 of the Elections Code, you are hereby notified that on this day we mailed to the proponent(s) of the above identified proposed initiative our title and summary by sending a true copy of this letter.

Enclosed is a copy of our transmittal letter to the proponent(s), a declaration of mailing thereof, a copy of our title and summary, and a copy of the proposed measure.

According to information available in our records, the name(s) and address(es) of the proponent(s) is as stated on the declaration of mailing.

Very truly yours,

George Deukmejian  
Attorney General

Robert Burton  
Deputy Attorney General

Enc.

5. The Proponents of the above named measure are:

Ralph D. Morrell  
825 Newgate Way  
Dixon, CA 95620

John V. Dawson  
Rt. 2, Box 711  
Dixon, CA 95620

Vernon E. Schmeiser  
370 East Mayes  
Dixon, CA 95620

Sincerely,

WILLIAM N. DURLEY  
Assistant to the Secretary of State  
Elections and Political Reform

  
CASHMERE M. APPERSON  
Elections Technician

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NOTE TO PROPONENTS: Your attention is directed to Elections Code sections 41, 44, 3501, 3507, 3508, 3516, 3517, and 3519 for appropriate format and type considerations in printing, typing, and otherwise preparing your initiative petition for circulation and signatures. Your attention is further directed to the campaign disclosure requirements of the Political Reform Act of 1974, Government Code section 81000 et seq.



State of California  
Department of Justice  
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Attorney General

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SACRAMENTO 95814  
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October 1, 1980

Ralph D. Morrell  
825 Newgate Way  
Dixon, California 95620

RE: Initiative Proposing Amendment to: Constitution  
Subject: Voting on Bills  
Our File No.: SA80RF0021

Pursuant to your request, we have prepared a title and summary of the chief purposes and points of the above identified proposed initiative. The title and summary are set forth in a letter sent to the Secretary of State, as required by Elections Code sections 3503 and 3513. A copy of this letter and our declaration of mailing is attached.

Please send us a copy of the petition after you have it printed. This copy is not for our review or approval, but to supplement our file on this matter.

Very truly yours,

George Deukmejian  
Attorney General

*[Handwritten signature]*

Robert Burton  
Deputy Attorney General

Attachments

cc: John V. Dawson  
Rt. 2, Box 711  
Dixon, Calif. 95620

Vernon E. Schmeiser  
370 East Mayes  
Dixon, Calif. 95620

RALPH D. MORRELL

825 NEWGATE WAY  
DIXON, CA 95620

August 22, 1980

The Honorable George Deukmejian  
Attorney General of California  
555 Capitol Mall, Suite 350  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Dear Attorney General Deukmejian:

Attention: Robert Burton, Deputy

This is an application for title and summary for an initiative petition, and addresses the matters covered in your letter of July 10, 1980

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$200.00 as required by Government Code 3502. Also enclosed is a copy of the Legislative Counsel's "language" of the petition, together with his letter of transmittal.

The proponents of this measure, as requested in your July 10 letter, are:

Ralph D. Morrell, 825 Newgate Way, Dixon, CA 95620  
John V. Dawson, Rt. 2, Box 711, Dixon, CA 95620  
Vernon E. Schmeiser, 370 East Mayes, Dixon, CA 95620

Thank you for your courtesy and assistance in preparing this "citizen's initiative", which, as may readily observed, is of benefit to all Californians.

Sincerely,



Ralph D. Morrell, Chairman  
Operation Vote-Switch

Attachments:

Leg. Counsel's language and ltr. of transmittal.

Cashier's check, First Northern Bank of Dixon, #150360, \$200.00



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RAY H. WHITAKER  
CHIEF DEPUTIES

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# Legislative Counsel of California

BION M. GREGORY

Sacramento, California

July 31, 1980

Mr. Ralph D. Morrell  
825 Newgate Way  
Dixon, CA 95620

Legislative Procedure: Initiative  
Measure: - #14445

Dear Mr. Morrell:

Pursuant to your request, we have prepared, in the appropriate form, the enclosed initiative measure to be submitted to the electors.

We remind you that a title and summary prepared by the Attorney General are also necessary (see subd. (d), Sec. 10, Art. II, Cal. Const.).

Very truly yours,

Bion M. Gregory  
Legislative Counsel

*David D. Alves* by JB  
By  
David D. Alves  
Deputy Legislative Counsel

DDA:ns

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DAVID D. ALVES  
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CHARLES C. ASHILL  
JAMES L. ASHFORD  
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JAMES W. HEINZER  
THOMAS R. HEUER  
JACK I. HORTON  
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ROMULO I. LOPEZ  
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PETER F. MELNICK  
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JEFF THOM  
MICHAEL H. UPSON  
CHRISTOPHER J. WEI  
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THOMAS D. WHELAN  
JIMMIE WING  
CHRISTOPHER ZIRKLE  
DEPUTIES

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

VOTING ON BILLS IN LEGISLATURE. INITIATIVE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT. Provides, with respect to voting on bills in Legislature, that: (a) No bill may be passed by a committee unless the chair determines, by rollcall, that a majority of the committee is present at the time the vote is announced. (b) No member voting on a bill in a committee or in either house may change his or her vote, or have his or her vote recorded, after the vote is announced. (c) If an electrical voting system is used, no member may operate the voting switch of any other member. Fiscal impact on state and local governments: No significant impact on state or local government costs or revenues.

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INITIATIVE MEASURE TO BE SUBMITTED DIRECTLY TO THE VOTERS

The Attorney General of California has prepared the following title and summary of the chief purpose and points of the proposed measure:

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smaller than  
12-point

(Here set forth the title and summary prepared by the Attorney General. This title and summary must also be printed across the top of each page of the petition whereon signatures are to appear.)

TO THE HONORABLE SECRETARY OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA

We, the undersigned, registered, qualified voters of California, residents of \_\_\_\_\_ County (or City and County), hereby propose amendments to the Constitution of California, relating to legislative procedure, and petition the Secretary of State to submit the same to the voters of California for their adoption or rejection at the next succeeding general election or at any special statewide election prior to that general election or otherwise provided by law. The proposed constitutional amendments (full title and text of measure) read as

Cashie ~~App~~ #25

10-0371

For Immediate Release  
October 3, 1980

Contact: Caren Daniels

#### LEGISLATIVE VOTING INITIATIVE DRIVE LAUNCHED

SACRAMENTO -- A new initiative drive aimed at ending vote-switching and ghost voting by members of the Legislature has been launched, Secretary of State March Fong Eu announced today (Oct. 3).

The measure, a constitutional amendment needing 553,790 registered voter signatures by March 2 to qualify for the June 1982 ballot, is sponsored by Ralph Morrell, John Dawson and Vernon Schmeiser of Dixon. Morrell can be reached at (916) 678-1506, Dawson at (916) 678-2711, and Schmeiser at (916) 678-5759.

If the measure qualifies for the ballot and is approved by the electorate, it would require that "no bill may be passed by a legislative committee unless the chair determines, by rollcall, that a majority of the committee is present at the time the vote is announced; no member voting on a bill in a committee or in either house may change his or her vote, or have his or her vote recorded, after the vote is announced; and if an electrical voting system is used, no member may operate the voting switch of any other member."

A copy of the title and summary, circulation calendar and text of this initiative is attached for your reference. It's official title is Voting on Bills in Legislature.

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follows:

Section 7.5 is added to Article IV thereof, to read:

SEC. 7.5. (a) No bill may be passed out by a committee unless the chairman, or, in the absence of the chairman, the acting chairman, determines, by rollcall, that a majority of the membership of the committee is present at the time the vote on the bill is announced.

(b) No member voting on a bill in a committee or in either house may change his or her vote, or have his or her vote recorded, after the vote on the bill is announced.

(c) If an electrical voting system is used to record the voting on the passage of bills, no member may operate the voting switch of any other member.

# DECLARATION OF MAILING

The undersigned Declarant, states as follows:

I am over the age of 18 years and not a proponent of the within matter; my place of employment and business address is 555 Capitol Mall, Suite 350, Sacramento, California 95814.

On the date shown below, I mailed a copy or copies of the attached letter to the Honorable March Fong Eu, Secretary of State, by placing a true copy thereof in an envelope addressed to each proponent named below at the address set out immediately below each name, and by sealing and depositing said envelope or envelopes in the United States Mail at Sacramento, California, with postage thereon fully prepaid. There is delivery service by United States Mail at each of the places so addressed, or there is regular communication by mail between the place of mailing and each of the places so addressed.

Date of Mailing: October 1, 1980

Date of Attached Letter to Secretary of State: October 1, 1980

Subject: Initiative Proposing Amendment to: Constitution  
Short Title: Voting on Bills  
Our File No.: SA80RF0021

Name of Proponent(s) and Address(es):


Ralph D. Morrell  
825 Newgate Way  
Dixon, California 95620

John V. Dawson  
Rt. 2, Box 711  
Dixon, California 95620

Vernon E. Schmeiser  
370 East Mayes  
Dixon, California 95620

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed at Sacramento, California on October 1, 1980.

  
Jackie M. Short  
Declarant